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## HOMONYMY

OF THE "NEW GENUS" *PETALUMA* BUCKETT AND BAUER  
(NOCTUIDAE) UNDER *PETALUMA* HULST (PYRALIDAE) AND  
PROPOSAL OF THE NAME *PETALUMARIA*  
FOR "*PETALUMA*" CALIFORNICA.

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IN 1964 (J. Res. Lepidoptera) the authors named a new noctuid moth *Petaluma californica*, new genus and species, the generic name being preoccupied. The name *Petaluma* Bkt. and Br. is then a primary homonym of *Petaluma* Hulst. This error stemmed from not having referred to "Nomenclator Zoologicus" by Neave. Only recently the first author was checking "Nomenclator Zoologicus" in connection with another new generic name to be proposed in a manuscript in preparation, and while doing this, he thumbed into the "P" section and looked to see if *Petaluma* was listed. There, appearing in bold print, was "*Petaluma* Hulst 1888, Ent. Amer., 4, 116 — Lep." The irony of the situation is worthy of note, as the name was used in the Lepidoptera, Phycitidae.

*Petaluma illibella* Hulst, the type species of the genus is now placed under the genus *Coenochroa*, in the subfamily Anerastinae of the Pyralidae.

We herein propose *Petalumaria*, new generic term, for the species "*Petaluma*" *californica* Bkt. and Br. The type species of *Petalumaria* is *P. californica* (Bkt. and Br.).

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